AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method of detecting transitions in video comprising: acquiring a video stream;

dividing said video stream into a plurality of sub-sections;

determining a probability of whether a-one or more synthesized transition effect is effects

are present at one of the plurality of sub-sections of said video stream, wherein

the one or more transition effects are of a specified number and a specified type;

and

embedding said probability into said sub-section of said video stream.

- 2. (Original) The method of Claim 1 wherein said determining said probability is performed by a classifier.
- 3. (Original) The method of Claim 2 wherein said classifier is provided a fixed-sized portion of said sub-section.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 further comprising outputting a location of said one or more transition effect effects and a duration of said one or more transition effect effects in said video stream.
- 5. (Cancelled)
- 6. (Original) The method of Claim 1 wherein said transition is a dissolve, a fade, a wipe, a iris, a funnel, a mosaic, a roll, a door, a push, a peel, a rotate, or a special effect.

7-10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently Amended) A method of processing video comprising:

acquiring a first shot and a second shot from a plurality of video streams, said shots

comprising a transition free video stream;

determining a duration of a transition sequence based on probability distribution, said

transition sequence including one or more synthesized transition effects of a

specified number and a specified type;

generating said transition sequence of said duration, the transition sequence having the

one or more transition effects;

generating a video sequence comprising the transition sequence from said first shot to

said second shot for said determined duration, wherein the transition sequence is

inserted into the video sequence; and

training a classifier to detect a transition effect within said generated video sequence.

12. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 11 wherein said probability distribution

represents a fixed duration.

13. (Original) The method of Claim 11 wherein said transition sequence is a dissolve, a fade,

a wipe, a iris, a funnel, a mosaic, a roll, a door, a push, a peel, a rotate, or a special effect.

14-18. (Cancelled)

19-23. (Cancelled)

24-25. (Cancelled)

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- 26. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable medium that provides instructions, which when executed by a set of one or more processors, cause said set of processors to perform operations comprising:
 - acquiring one or more video streams and a probability distribution, said video stream including a shot description;
 - determining a duration of a transition sequence according to said probability distribution,

 said transition sequence including one or more synthesized transition effects of a

 specified number and a specified type;
 - selecting, at random, a first shot and a second shot from the one or more video streams, each shot being transition free;
 - generating said transition sequence of said duration, said transition sequence including a one or more transition-effect effects; and
 - training a classifier to detect said <u>one or more</u> transition <u>effect-effects</u> within said generated transition sequence.
- 27. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of claim 26 wherein said <u>one or more transition effect includes effects include</u> a portion of said first shot and a portion of said second shot.
- 28. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of claim 26 wherein said video transition sequence includes a portion of said first shot before said transition effect, said one or more transition-effect effects, and a portion of said second shot after said one or more transition-effect effects.
- 29. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of claim 26 wherein said <u>one or more transition effect is effects are a dissolve</u>, a fade, a wipe, a iris, a funnel, a mosaic, a roll, a door, a push, a peel, a rotate, or a special effect.

- 30. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of claim 26 further comprising: training a classifier to detect said <u>one or more transition effect effects</u> within said generated transition sequence.
- 31. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, further comprising:
 training a classifier to detect a-the one or more transition effect effects within said
 generated video sequence.
- 32. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:
 - a transition synthesizer module to generate a video sequence the video sequence comprising a transition sequence having one or more synthesized transition effects of a specified number and a specified type, wherein prior to generating the video sequence, a duration of said transition sequence is determined based on a probability distribution; and
 - a classifier module, the classifier module to be trained to identify a transition effect based on the generated video sequence.
- 33. (Original) The system of claim 32, wherein the transition synthesizer module to generate the video sequence using random video shots from a plurality of video streams, the video shots being transition free.
- 34. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 32, wherein each synthesized transition effect is associated with a-the duration based on a-the probability distribution.

35. (Original) The system of claim 32, wherein the training of the classifier module comprises re-scaling a time series of frame-based feature values associated with the generated video sequence.